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and after deliberation we concluded to advise the authorities and others concerned. The port physician saw the case and concurred in the opinion that it was yellow fever. Bielig died at 7.45 a. m., July 24, and a necropsy was held by Dr. Jumel about an hour after, in the presence of Dr. Osterhout and Dr. C. Alf. Vaz, the port physician, and the common verdict was yellow fever. I inclose a copy of Dr. Jumel's notes.

In the meantime Dr. Osterhout's wife did not improve in spite of liberal doses of quinine. Nausea set in but was controlled and the temperature remained, with slight remissions due to antipyretics, at 38.3° C. to 38.9° C., no accurate pulse record was kept. At present writing the temperature in this case remains the same, there is slight icterus and albumen in the urine. The doctor is satisfied that it is yellow fever.

We have been unable to trace the infection to its source. There are now 2 foci of infection, but all sanitary precautions are being taken and the disinfection is being thoroughly done. I shall advise further developments by cable via Limon.

Respectfully,

HERMAN B. MOHR,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, July 25, 1900.

Post-mortem findings.—Case of George Bielig; age, 24 years; pronounced icterus of a deep bright yellow color over the entire body; very foul cadaveric odor; the blood which oozed from the tissues, after the abdominal section, was a cherry red in color; all of the viscera, after the abdominal cavity had been opened, presented a decided yellow appearance; evidences of intense congestion and fatty degeneration of the heart; evidences of fatty degeneration and intense congestion of the kidneys; evidences of intense congestion and fatty degeneration of the liver, the organ being about normal in size and presenting a boxwood appearance; a cross section gave the same result; intense congestion of the spleen, with commencing fatty degeneration at the hilum, the organ being slightly enlarged; intense congestion of the stomach, irregularly distributed, the organ being filled with black vomit; same condition was observed in the duodenum; the small quantity of urine found in the bladder was submitted to an analysis, showing about 75 per cent of albumen. Finally all of the physicians present rendered a verdict that death had been due to yellow fever.

ALLEN JUMEL, Jr., M. D.

COSTA RICA.

Report from Port Limon—Fruit port.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, July 22, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for week ended July 21. The following vessels have cleared from this port direct for the United States:

| Date. | Vessel. | Master. | Number of crew. | Destination. | Number of passengers. | Number of pieces baggage disinfected. |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| July 19 | Ss. Olympia..... | Seiders | 39 | New Orleans, La..... | 1 | 0 |
| July 20 | Ss. Tordenskjold..... | Thomassen | 18 | Key West, Fla..... | 0 | 0 |
| Do.... | Ss. Hispania..... | Frockberg.... | 21 | Mobile, Ala..... | 0 | 0 |
| July 21 | Ss. Holstein..... | Aarhuus..... | 21 | do | 0 | 0 |

The sanitary conditions of Port Limon and vicinity are very good. Four deaths during the week as follows: On July 15, a child 8½ months

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of age, from cholera infantum ; an adult 72 years of age, from dysentery ; a child 3 months of age, from inanition ; July 19, a child 4 months of age, from haemoglobinuric fever. Four cases of chicken pox have been reported and several cases of measles. At present there are 2 cases of typhoid fever. A local physician tells me that these are the first cases of typhoid in Port Limon during his stay of six and one-half years.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Port Limon—Fruit port—Referring to yellow fever at Bocas del Toro.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, July 25, 1900.

SIR : I received to-day from H. B. Mohr, Acting Assistant Surgeon, United States Marine-Hospital Service, at Bocas del Toro, Colombia, under date of July 24, per steamship *Kitty*, bound for Mobile, Ala., via Port Limon, information of the existence of 1 case of yellow fever ; also 1 death at said port.

As per his instructions I immediately sent you the following : "WYMAN, Washington : Two cases, 1 death, necropsy confirms diagnosis.—MOHR."

The steamship *Kitty* upon her arrival at Port Limon was placed in quarantine by the local authorities. Fortunately this steamer has no passengers aboard.

All cables from Bocas del Toro have to go via Port Limon, as Bocas has no cable station. Any cable that Dr. Mohr may send will be promptly forwarded by me.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CUBA.

Battalion of First Infantry embarks at Havana for New York.

HAVANA, CUBA, August 3, 1900.

Transport *Rawlins* departed for New York at midnight with battalion First Infantry. All well upon embarkation. * * *

GLENNAN.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Disinfection of soldiers' effects.

HAVANA, CUBA, August 7, 1900.

Have effects 5 companies infantry and battery artillery to disinfect to depart upon transport *Crook* Wednesday night ; also 72 heavy pieces of baggage from Vera Cruz to New York to-day. * * * I have obtained authority to fence off the shore plant. * * * Both barge and shore plant have been overtaxed.

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